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SUBJ: ECOSOC - U.S. PROPOSAL FOR INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT  
ON ILLICIT PAYMENTS

REF: LIMA 5760, STATE 104346, STATE 147739, STATE 151183,  
STATE 158320

1. IN EFFORT TO FIRM UP TENTATIVE GOP SUPPORT FOR U.S. PRO-  
POSAL (LIMA 5760) AND OBTAIN PERUVIAN AGREEMENT TO CO-SPONSOR  
DRAFT RESOLUTION, EMBASSY ECON OFF DISCUSSED SUBJECT WITH  
RESPONSIBLE FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL (ALLAN WAGNER, CHIEF,  
DEPARTMENT OF TECHNICAL COOPERATION AND INTERNATIONAL FINANCE)  
AND GAVE HIM TEXT OF DRAFT (STATE 151183). AS WAGNER HAD  
SUGGESTED (LIMA 5760), ECON OFF ALSO PROVIDED HIM WITH AIDE-  
MEMOIRE REQUESTING FAVORABLE GOP CONSIDERATION RE CO-SPONSORSHIP.  
WAGNER QUICKLY REVIEWED TEXT OF DRAFT RESOLUTION, AND GAVE  
WHAT HE TERMED PERSONAL THOUGHTS ON DRAFT RESOLUTION AND U.S.  
INITIATIVE IN GENERAL. WAGNER REPEATED HIS VIEW EX-  
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PRESSED EARLIER (LIMA 5760) THAT INTERNATIONAL CONVEN-

TION OR AGREEMENT WAS TOO FORMAL AN APPARATUS FOR PROBLEM OF ILLICIT PAYMENTS. BY WAY OF EXPLANATION, WAGNER SAID THAT INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT APPROACH TO ILLICIT PAYMENT QUESTION COULD GENERATE WHAT MANY COUNTRIES VIEWED AS TOO MUCH PUBLICITY ON AN ISSUE THAT WAS CONSIDERED POLITICALLY SENSITIVE. WAGNER ALSO NOTED THAT HE FELT SUBJECT OF ILLICIT PAYMENTS WAS MORE COMPLICATED THAN HE THOUGHT WAS REFLECTED IN TEXT OF RESOLUTION. THUS, ESTABLISHMENT OF A "SPECIAL PREPARATORY COMMITTEE" TO WORK ON DRAFT INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SOME FORM OF TIMETABLE SEEMED PREMATURE. RATHER, IT WOULD BE MORE APPROPRIATE TO HAVE THE CURRENT ECOSOC SESSION ESTABLISH A GROUP TO BEGIN A COMPREHENSIVE STUDY OF ILLICIT PAYMENTS AND CORRUPT PRACTICES QUESTIONS BEFORE CREATING A DRAFTING COMMITTEE.

2. DESPITE THESE MISGIVINGS, HOWEVER, WAGNER SAID THAT HE AND HIS STAFF WOULD CAREFULLY REVIEW AIDE-MEMOIRE AND THAT HE WOULD INSTRUCT PERUVIAN DELEGATION TO CONSULT WITH USG DELEGATION AT ECOSOC TO WORK OUT DRAFT RESOLUTION THAT PERUVIANS COULD SUPPORT, AND PERHAPS CO-SPONSOR. HE INDICATED THAT FINAL GOP DECISION ON CO-SPONSORSHIP WOULD DEPEND, TO SOME EXTENT, ON WHICH OTHER COUNTRIES WOULD CO-SPONSOR.

3. COMMENT: BECAUSE WAGNER HAS ON THREE OCCASIONS EXPRESSED DOUBTS ABOUT INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT MECHANISM, WE EXPECT GOP DELEGATION WILL NOT CO-SPONSOR OR SUPPORT DRAFT RESOLUTION IN CURRENT FORM. HOWEVER, WAGNER DOES APPEAR FAVORABLY DISPOSED TOWARD INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION TO COMBAT ILLICIT PAYMENTS AND CORRUPT PRACTICES AND WE BELIEVE PERUVIAN DELEGATION WOULD BE WILLING TO SUPPORT U.S. INITIATIVES IF MODIFIED ALONG LINES SUGGESTED BY WAGNER. IN LIGHT OF WAGNER'S INDICATION THAT PERUVIAN CO-SPONSORSHIP OF RESOLUTION IS PARTLY A FUNCTION OF CO-SPONSORSHIP BY OTHER COUNTRIES, WE SUGGEST THAT U.S. DELEGATION ATTEMPT TO BRING PERUVIAN DELEGATION ON BOARD AS LIST OF CO-SPONSORS GROWS. WE WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING LIST OF CO-SPONSORS (IN ADDITION TO JORDAN AND COLOMBIA AS PER STATE 158320) TO BACK UP OUR CONTINUING EFFORTS WITH FOREIGN MINISTRY.

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